

MEMORANDUM FOR: SA/IR

26 September 1951

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FROM : Chief, GG/F 25X1C8c

SUBJECT : Contact With [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] visited GG/F on 25 September for the purpose of ascertaining if this Branch could supply any information to corroborate reported Chinese Communist intentions of launching an "IGY rocket" -- presumably an earth satellite.

2. In the discussion, she was advised: a) that we have seen unconfirmed reports -- including newspaper stories -- that such an attempt might be made, perhaps between the 1st and 10th of October; b) that in our opinion such a launching would necessarily be almost entirely a Soviet effort, with only nominal Chinese participation; and c) that we estimate the most likely spot for such a launching would be somewhere along the Trans-Mongolian Railroad between the Mongolian border and Chi-ning, the change-of-gauge point.

3. She was also informed that we have given some attention to the identification of feasible areas in which the Chinese may eventually establish guided missile ranges for testing and training, and that, in general, Inner Mongolia and Kansu appear to be the most likely areas.

4. [REDACTED] also left with us, for our perusal, copies of [REDACTED]

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